

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-98 of the Rules of Practice in Patent Cases, enclosed herewith is a list of several U.S. patents and patent applications on page three. The Examiner is requested to make these references of official record in the application.

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The references cited were identified after the *Notice of Allowance* was issued in the instant application, and are being cited within three months of the *Office Action* that indicated prosecution was reopened. As such, applicants believe no fee is due with this submission. If a fee is due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee to **Account Number 06-0600**.